

welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion; and fitting the lid portion into the collar portion.

13. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to claim 10, wherein

(a) the cap has a collar portion;

(b) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: punching a hole in the packaging material; welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; and welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion.

14. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to claim 10, wherein

(a) a thin wall portion is formed in advance in the packaging material before the packaging material is subjected to forming;

(b) the cap has a collar portion and a lid portion and can be brought into an opened state and a closed state; and

(c) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: fixing the cap onto the packaging material such that the cap faces the thin wall portion; bringing the cap into an opened state;

welding a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; and fitting the lid portion into the collar portion.

15. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to claim 10, wherein

(a) a thin wall portion is formed in advance in the packaging material before the packaging material is subjected to forming;

(b) the cap has a collar portion;

(c) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: fixing the cap onto the packaging material such that the cap faces the thin wall portion; and welding a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion.

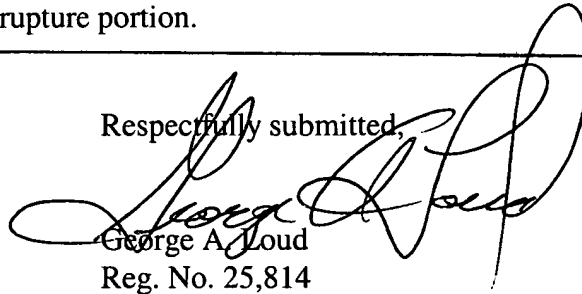
16. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to claim 10, wherein

(a) the cap has a lip; and

(b) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: punching a hole in the packaging material; welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a lip onto an

a' outer surface of the packaging material via a pull tab and at the same time welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion.

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12. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to claim 10 [or 11], wherein

(a) the cap has a collar portion and a lid portion and can be brought into an opened state and a closed state; and

(b) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: fixing the cap onto the packaging material; bringing the cap into an opened state; punching a hole in the packaging material; welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion; and fitting the lid portion into the collar portion.

13. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to [any one of claims 10 to 12] claim 10, wherein

(a) the cap has a collar portion;

(b) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: punching a hole in the packaging material; welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; and welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion.

14. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to [any one of claims 10 to 13] claim 10, wherein

(a) a thin wall portion is formed in advance in the packaging material before the

packaging material is subjected to forming;

(b) the cap has a collar portion and a lid portion and can be brought into an opened state and a closed state; and

(c) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: fixing the cap onto the packaging material such that the cap faces the thin wall portion; bringing the cap into an opened state;

welding a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion; and fitting the lid portion into the collar portion.

15. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to [any one of claims 10 to 14] claim 10, wherein

(a) a thin wall portion is formed in advance in the packaging material before the packaging material is subjected to forming;

(b) the cap has a collar portion;

(c) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: fixing the cap onto the packaging material such that the cap faces the thin wall portion; and welding a pull tab onto an outer surface of the packaging material in order to cover an area surrounded by the collar portion.

16. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a packaging container according to [any one of claims 10 to 15] claim 10, wherein

(a) the cap has a lip; and

(b) the cap attachment step includes the steps of: punching a hole in the packaging material; welding an inner tape onto a reverse surface of the packaging material and a lip onto an outer surface of the packaging material via a pull tab and at the same time welding together the inner tape and the pull tab to thereby form a rupture portion.

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